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2. Recruitment of New Dockers
3. Provisioning of Ships

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1. Gdynia - Gdansk (Danzig) Port is cluttered up with goods destined for Chinese ports. This is due to the shortage of skilled dockers, and frequent breakdowns in loading installations which go out of order because they are operated by untrained personnel.
2. For some unknown reason the security authorities do not permit recruitment of new workers from Gdansk Voivodship. Dismissed dockers are compulsorily transferred to work in Silesia, and new hands are recruited in the voivodships of Lublin and of Bialystok.
3. Before returning to the home port, a ship radios the amount of food required from Baltona (Ships' Supply Office) for the next voyage. Supplies of food indented for are usually taken on the last day before the ship sails, in order to avoid complaints of insufficient quantities of victuals and supplies having been issued. This applies equally to quantity and quality, and happens repeatedly.
4. Soiled linen from ships is taken away by the Supply Department of P.L.O. (Polish Ocean Lines) or the P.Z.M. (Polish Maritime Lines) which also provides clean linen. Personal soiled linen may be handed in to the same department, but few people take advantage of this facility because of losses by the laundry.

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